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Algeria* and Indonesia**: draft resolution

United Nations conference on South-South cooperation

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the validity of the objectives and commitments with regard to international economic cooperation and development adopted by the General Assembly and other United Nations bodies, especially the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, 1/ the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, 2/ the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, 3/ the Declaration on the Right to

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* On behalf of the States members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

** On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

1/ Report of the United Nations Conference on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, Buenos Aires, 30 August-12 September 1978 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.78.II.A.11 and corrigendum), chap. I.

2/ Resolution S-18/3, annex.

3/ Resolution 45/199, annex.

Development, 4/ the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, 5/ the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s, 6/ the Cartagena Commitment, 7/ the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development 8/ and Agenda 21, 9/ which provide an overall framework for furthering international economic cooperation for development,

Taking note of the Ministerial Declaration of the Group of 77, 10/ adopted on the occasion of the eighteenth annual Meeting of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held in New York on 30 September 1994, in which the Ministers called upon the United Nations to consider convening an international conference on South-South cooperation in 1996,

Reaffirming its resolution 33/134 of 19 December 1978 in which it endorsed the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Development Countries 1/ as well as its resolution 48/172 of 21 December 1993 on economic and technical cooperation among developing countries,

Recalling its resolutions 47/181 of 22 December 1992 and 48/166 of 21 December 1993 on an agenda for development as well as its resolution 48/165 of 21 December 1993 on the renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership,

Recalling also its resolution 46/205 of 20 December 1991 on the convening of an international conference on the financing of development as well as its resolution 47/152 of 18 December 1992 on international cooperation for economic growth and development,

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4/ Resolution 41/128, annex.

5/ Resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.

6/ Report of the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 3-14 September 1990 (A/CONF.147/18), part one.

7/ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Eighth Session, Report and Annexes (TD/364/Rev.1) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.II.D.5), part one, sect. A.

8/ Report of the United Nations, Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1 (Vol. I and Vol. I/Corr.1, Vol. II, Vol. III and Vol. III/Corr.1)) (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: Resolutions adopted by the Conference, resolution 1, annex I.

9/ Ibid., annex II.

10/ A/49/462 and Corr.1, annex.

Recalling further its resolutions 46/155 of 19 December 1991 on the report entitled The Challenge to the South: The Report of the South Commission 11/ and 48/164 of 21 December 1993 on the follow-up to that report,

Reaffirming the importance of strengthening international cooperation, especially that between developed and developing countries, in the areas of reactivation of economic growth, eradication of poverty and debt reduction,

Conscious that increased international support to activities in economic cooperation among developing countries and technical cooperation among developing countries will contribute significantly to the strengthening of international cooperation for a global partnership between developing and developed countries,

Welcoming the support expressed for the convening of a United Nations conference on South-South cooperation and recognizing the increased role undertaken by the United Nations system to support activities in economic cooperation among developing countries and technical cooperation among developing countries,

Recognizing the increased role undertaken by the United Nations system to support activities in economic cooperation among developing countries and technical cooperation among developing countries and stressing the importance of continuing to strengthen the capacity of the United Nations to foster international cooperation in order to address fully the wide range of issues pertaining to development and the growth of developing countries,

Noting the ongoing work of the Secretary-General in the preparation of a report, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 48/164, on the state of South-South cooperation,

1. Requests the Secretary-General, pursuant to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/166, to present to the Assembly at its fiftieth session a comprehensive overview and analysis of South-South cooperation world wide entitled "State of South-South cooperation" and containing recommendations on measures to strengthen South-South cooperation, with a view to convening an international conference on South-South cooperation in 1996;

2. Decides to establish, in consultation with Member States, an intergovernmental ad hoc working group of experts to recommend, with a view to expanding South-South cooperation on a global scale, practical modalities and substantive issues to be discussed at the conference and to be taken into account by the Secretary-General in undertaking the above-mentioned report;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to convene, in consultation with Member States, a meeting of the working group in the first quarter of 1995;

11/ New York, Oxford University Press, 1990. For an overview and summary of the report of the South Commission, see A/45/810 and Corr.1, annex.

4. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution.